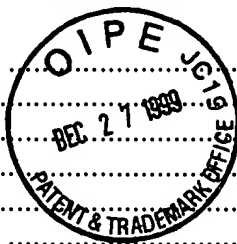


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In the Claims:

Claims 1-40 were previously pending.

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Please amend claims 1-40 as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of controlling memory usage in a computer system having limited physical memory, wherein one or more application programs execute in conjunction with an operating system, the method comprising [the following steps]:
- setting a plurality of memory thresholds; and